Indiana Harbor, IN - Indiana Harbor & Canal
Confined Disposal Facility
(Indiana Harbor & Canal CDF)

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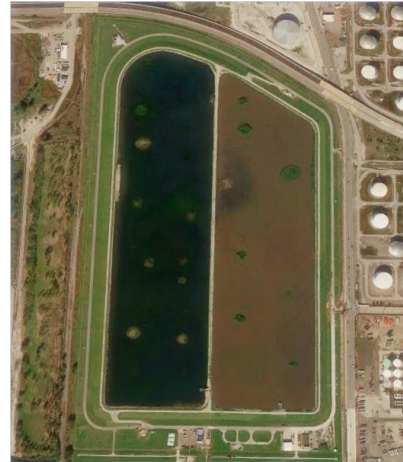
Project Description
➢ Navigation Project Served: Indiana Harbor and Canal
➢ The facility is owned and operated by the Chicago District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
➢ The facility is an upland facility attached in East Chicago, IN. The CDF is located on the north side of the Lake George Branch canal, immediately west of Indianapolis Boulevard.
➢ The Indiana Harbor & Canal CDF has an area of 96 acres, a current constructed capacity of 2,100,000 cubic yards, and receives about 200,000 CY annually. Future dike expansion could expand the capacity of the facility to 4,800,000 CY. Current construction of the CDF has an approximate remaining capacity of 262,000 CY.
➢ Future dike expansion construction will be completed in 2023 and will provide an additional 2,700,000 CY of capacity (or greater than 13 years once the expansion is completed).
➢ Non-Federal interests may use this disposal facility if they are located in the areas identified within the original project authorization. Non-Federal users must demonstrate that the material being provided is environmentally consistent or superior to the material already confined, and will pay a tipping fee.

Project Authority
➢ The facility was completed in 2011 under authority from the Rivers and Harbors Acts of 1910, 1930, 1935, 1937 and 1960, WRDA 1986 and 1996, and the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act dated 12 May 2005.

Beneficial Use Information
➢ Sediment from the Indiana Harbor and Canal is highly contaminated due to the very high anthropogenic compound concentrations; the channel has sediment with up to 10% by weight of oil and grease and includes 5 locations with Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) regulated material. The dredged material confined within this facility is not suitable for beneficial reuse.

Congressional Interest
➢ Representative Frank Mrvan D-IN-1
➢ Senator Todd Young R-IN
➢ Senator Mike Braun R-IN